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SUBJ: SWIMMING POOL REPAIR AND OTHER FBO PROJECTS

REF: A. STATE 136892 B. KUWAIT 2494 AND 2496 C. 6FAM 754

1. EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED BID FROM CULLIGAN AGENT FOR REPAIR AND MODIFICATION OF SWIMMING POOL AS REQUESTED BY REF A. FOLLOWING IS MINOR IMPREOVEMENT PER REF C.

2. PROPERTY DESCRIPTION: SWIMMING POOL IN AMERICAN COMPOUND, KUWAIT. PROPERTY NO. 02445-G.

3. PROPOSED REPAIRS/MODIFICATION-REPLACEMENT OF ALL WATER DISTRIBUTION AND LINES, EXCEPT MAIN DRAIN PREVIOUSLY REPLACED, WITH PVC PIPING AND ADDITION OF MORE WATER FEED OUTLETS, SKIMMERS, CHLORINATION, AND 2 NEW PUMPS FOR INCREASED CIRCULATION. REPLACEMENT OF CRACKED AND BROKEN SLIP-PROOF UNCLAZED CERAMIC TILE AROUND IMMEDIATE EDGES OF POOL. RETILING OF ENTIRE MAIN POOL AND NEW TILE ON CEMENT-FINISH CHILDREN'S WADING POOL. RESURFACING OF BALANCE OF CONCRETE DECKING IN BALANCE OF POOL COMPOUND USING PRECAST CONCRETE PAVING BLOCKS WITH GREATLY INCREASED NUMBER OF EXPANSION JOINTS.

4. JUSTIFICATIONS: PRESENT POOL WAS BUILT IN 1967. CONSTRUCTION WAS GENERALLY GOOD BUT DESIGN IS STRICKLY AMERICAN AND NOT SUITABLE FOR OPERATION IN SEVERE KUWAIT CLIMATE. POOL LACKS ADEQUATE CIRCULATION CAPACITY, CHLORINE IS NOW ADDED AT POOL

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OUTLET RATHER THAN INLET, INSUFFICIENT EXPANSION JOINT WERE

PUT IN THUS PERMITTING SEVERE CRACKING AND HEAVING OF POOL INTERIOR, SIDES, SLIP PROFF DECKING, AND CONCRETE SLAB COMPOUND DECKS. POOL TILE AND DECKS HAVE DETERIORATED TO POINT THAT FURTHER REPAIR IS NO LONGER POSSIBLE AND POOL IS BEGINNING TO LEAK. METAL WATER DISTRIBUTION LINES HAVE RUSTED TO POINT THAT INTERIOR SECTIONS ARE SHEARING AWAY AND BEING SUCKED INTO PUMPS AND FILTERS. GROWTH OF EMBASSY STAFF HAS INCREASED POOL USAGE TO POINT IT IS NOW A PUBLIC POOL USED HEAVILY AT ALL TIMES FROM APRIL 1 THEOUGH NOV 15. POST IS UNABLE TO MAINTAIN SATISFACTORY SHEMAICAL BALANCE TO ENSURE POOL DOES NOT BECOME A HEALTH HAZARD TO SWIMMERS. THIS POOL IS THE SOLE RECREATIONAL FACILITY IN KUWIAT AVAILABLE TO AND USED BY ALL MEMBERS OF THE STAFF. WE FEAR A TOTAL BREAKDOWN IS IMMINENT., CAUSING LOSE OF WATER, FURTHER DAMAGE TO POOL, AND SEVERE BLOW TO STAFF MORALE.

5. DESCRIPTION OF WORK:

A. LARGE POOL DIMENSIONS: LENGTH 16 METERS, WIDTH 8.90 METERS, DEEP END DEPTH 3.25 METERS, SHALLOW END DEPTH 1.85 METERS, USUAL WATER DEPTH 3.0 METERS AT DEEP END.

B. SMALL POOL DIMENSIONS: LENGTH 8.9 METERS, WIDTH 5.8 METERS, DEPTH.8 METERS, USUAL WATER DEPTH .5 METERS.

C. AREA OF SLIP-PROFF UNGLAZED CREAMIC TILE IMMEDIATELY ADJACENT TO POOLS: 210 SQ METERS.

D. AREA OF CONCRETE DECKING IN BALANCE OF POOL COMPOUND: 965 SQ METERS.

E. EXISTING WATER DISTRIBUTION LINES AND FEED NOZZELES WILL BE REMOVED AND NUMBER INCREASED FROM 6 TO 12 IN LARGE POOL AND FROM 3 TO 6 IN WADING POOL.

F. SINGLE SKIMMER IN LARGE POOL WILL BE INCREASED TO 6 SKIMMERS AND 3 SKIMMERS WILL BE PUT IN WADING POOL WHERE NONE NOW EXIST.

G. CHLORINATORS WILL BE ADDED TO FEED LINES FOR EACH POOL PERMITTING ADDITION OF CHLORINE AT SEPERATE RATES FOR EACH POOL.

H. VACUUM LINES AND FITTINGS WILL BE REPLACED.

I. ALL CORRODED GALVANIZED PIPING WILL BE REPLACED WITH PVC PIPING.

J. TWO NEW CULLIGAN POOLPUMPS WILL BE ADDED TO INCREASE FLOW RATES AND CIRCULATION SPEED THROUGH NEW FILTER PREVIOUSLY UNCLASSIFIED

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INSTALLED.

K. MAIN POOL WILL BE COMPLETELY RETILED WITH CERAMIC TILE AND NON-FUNCTIONAL GUTTER REMOVED. NEW COPING WILL BE INSTALLED.

L. WADING POOL WILL BE TILED WITH CERAMIC TILE.

M. NEW SLIP-PROFF UNGLAZED CERAMIC TILE WITH ADDITIONAL EXPANSION JOINTS WILL BE INSTALLED IMMEDIATELY ADJACENT TO BOTH POOLS.

N. BALANCE OF CONCRETE DECKS WILL BE REPAVED WITH PRECAST

CONCRETE PAVING BLOCKS 60CM SQ. EXPANSION JOINTS BETWEEN  
BLOCKS WILL ELIMINATE CRACKING AND HEAVING PROBLEMS.

6. ESTIMATE OF COSTS: COSTS ARE LISTED IN ORDER IN WHICH  
WORK MUST BE ACCOMPLISHED:

A. PLUMBING WORK	\$9810.00 RPT \$9810.00
B. TILING OF POOL INTERIOR	\$9800.00 RPT \$9800.00
C. PUMPS AND ELECTRICAL	\$WTPPMPP RPT \$2500.00
. SLIP-PROFF UNGLAZED TILING	\$6645.00 RPT \$6645.00
E. CONCRETE PAVING BLOCKS	\$10,650 RPT \$10.650

7. RELATIVE COSTS BEFORE AND AFTER: PRECISE COSTS SAVING NOT  
AVAILABLE BUT MAINTENANCE COSTS SHOULD BE SHARPLY REDUCED.  
ANNUAL REPAINTING OF DECKS AND WADING POOL WILL BE ELIMATED.  
CHEMICAL CONSUMPTION SHOULD BE REDUCED BY IMPROVED CIRCULATION  
AND DAILY CLEANING GREATLY SIMPLIFIED. WATER QUALITY WILL BE  
IMPROVED AND RISK OF BACTERIAL INFESTING REDUCED.

8. NO ADDITIONAL REQUIREMTNS ARE FORSEEN AS A RESULT OF THIS  
PROJECT.

9. LESSOR'S AGENT HAS INDICATED NO OBJECTION TO THIS PROJECT.

10. IF DEPARTMENT ABLE TO FUND THIS PROJECT, POST IS PREPARED  
TO OBLIGATE FUNDS PRIOR TO JUNE 30, 1975.

11. IN VIEW OF NUMBER OF FBO PROJECTS SUBMITTED DURING PAST  
FEW DAYS, POST WISHES TO IDENTIFY PRIORITIES FOR FUNDING.

A. PRIORITY 1: REPLACEMENT OF CEILINGS AND INSULATION IN  
CHANCERY (KUWAIT OM DATED MAY 3, 1975.)  
B. PRIORITY 1: ELECTRICAL REWIRING IN CHANCERY (KUWAIT OM  
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DATED MAY 31, 1975 AND KUWAIT 2297)

C. PRIORITY 2: CONNECTION TO MUNICIPAL SEWER LINES (KUWAIT  
2545).  
D. PRIORITY 3: SWIMMING POOL REPAIR (SUBTEL).  
E. PRIORITY 4: WAREHOUSE/WORKSHOP BUILDING (KUWAIT OM DATED  
JAN 20, 1975 AND MAY 24, 1975).

12. POST VERY GRATEFUL FOR ANY FUNDING SUPPORT THESE URGENT  
PROJECTS.

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